

## 42 C.F.R. § 422.252

## Terminology.

Annual MA capitation rate means a county payment rate for an MA local area (county) for a calendar year. The terms "per capita rate" and "capitation rate" are used interchangeably to refer to the annual MA capitation rate.

Low enrollment contract means a contract that could not undertake Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) and Health Outcome Survey (HOS) data collections because of a lack of a sufficient number of enrollees to reliably measure the performance of the health plan.

MA local area means a payment area consisting of county or equivalent area specified by CMS.

*MA monthly basic beneficiary premium* means the premium amount (if any) an MA plan (except an MSA plan) charges an enrollee for basic benefits as defined in § 422.100(c)(1), and is calculated as described at § 422.262.

MA monthly MSA premium means the amount of the plan premium for coverage of basic benefits as defined in § 422.100(c)(1) through an MSA plan, as set forth at § 422.254(e).

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